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FOR EMBASSY'S BACKGROUND, IN DEPARTMENT'S OPINION, REF (A) CORRECTLY OUTLINES LEGAL ISSUES INVOLVED. SUCH INVOLUNTARY INSPECTION DIPLOMATIC POUCHES AND CORRESPONDENCE WOULD CONSTITUTE CLEAR AND DIRECT VIOLATION CUSTOMARY INTERNATIONAL LAW AND ARTICLE 27 OF VIENNA CONVENTION ON DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. UNDER THIS ARTICLE, WHICH DEPARTMENT REGARDS AS INFLEXIBLE IN ITS APPLICATION, THE RECEIVING STATE MUST BOTH PERMIT AND PROTECT FREE COMMUNICATION BY THE DIPLOMATIC MISSION FOR OFFICIAL PURPOSES AND OBSERVE THE INVIOABILITY OF OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE. THIS RULE AS WELL AS THE RULE THAT THE DIPLOMATIC BAG NEITHER OPENED NOR DETAINED ARE EXPLICIT AND NOT SUBJECT TO SUSPENSION, EVEN ON A TEMPORARY BASIS. ROGERS

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